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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

## MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 7, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20040623), please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed requesting a Petition for Extension of Time for two months with necessary fees.

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.131, the present Amendment and Response is further accompanied by the submission of a Declaration that will be signed by all the inventors of the present application. The consideration of which is respectfully requested. Submitted herein is the unexecuted Declaration. Applicants are in a process of obtaining the inventors' signatures. The Declaration signed by all the inventors will be submitted to the PTO shortly. In addition, enclosed herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) to correct the inventorship in the present application, the consideration of which is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.